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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PRESCRIPTION DRUGS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1       SECTION 1. The Hawaii Revised Statutes is amended by  
2 adding a new chapter to be appropriately designated and to read  
3 as follows:

4                               "CHAPTER

5                       REPORTS ON PRESCRIPTION DRUGS FOR DIABETES

6       §   -1 Definitions. As used in this chapter, unless the  
7 context requires otherwise:

8       "Accident and health or sickness insurance" shall have the  
9 same meaning as defined in section 431:1-205.

10       "Department" means the department of health.

11       "Health care facility" shall have the same meaning as  
12 defined in section 323D-2.

13       "Health care provider" shall have the same meaning as  
14 defined in section 323D-2.

15       "Health maintenance organization" shall have the same  
16 meaning as defined in section 432D-1.



1 "Insurance producer" shall have the same meaning as defined  
2 in section 431:9A-102.

3 "Lobbyist" shall have the same meaning as defined in  
4 section 97-1.

5 "Manufacturer" means a person or entity that produces,  
6 prepares, processes, or otherwise manufactures a prescription  
7 drug.

8 "Mutual benefit society" shall have the same meaning as  
9 defined in section 432:1-104(2).

10 "Pharmaceutical sales representative" means a person who  
11 markets prescription drugs to health care providers, pharmacies,  
12 health care facilities, or insurance producers in the State.

13 "Pharmacy" means a place of business operating as a  
14 pharmacy as permitted under chapter 461.

15 "Pharmacy benefit manager" shall have the same meaning as  
16 defined in section 431R-1.

17 "Prescription drug" shall have the same meaning as defined  
18 in section 328-1.

19 "Wholesale acquisition cost" means the manufacturer's list  
20 price for a prescription drug to wholesalers or direct  
21 purchasers in the United States, not including any discounts,



1 rebates, or reductions in price, as reported in wholesale price  
2 guides or other publications of prescription drug pricing data.

3 § -2 Department list; essential prescription drugs. On  
4 or before February 1 of each year, the department shall compile  
5 and publish on its website:

6 (1) A list of prescription drugs marketed for sale in the  
7 State that the department determines to be essential  
8 for treating diabetes and the wholesale acquisition  
9 cost of each; provided that the list shall include  
10 insulin and biguanides; and

11 (2) A list of prescription drugs described in paragraph  
12 (1) that have been subject to an increase in the  
13 wholesale acquisition cost of a percentage equal to,  
14 or greater than:

15 (A) The percentage increase in the medical care  
16 component of the United States Department of  
17 Labor Consumer Price Index during the immediately  
18 preceding calendar year; or

19 (B) Twice the percentage increase in the medical care  
20 component of the United States Department of



1 Labor Consumer Price Index during the immediately  
2 preceding two calendar years.

3 § -3 Manufacturer report; costs. On or before April 1  
4 of each year, the manufacturer of a prescription drug listed  
5 pursuant to section -2(1) shall submit to the department, in  
6 the form prescribed by the department, a report that includes  
7 the following information for the preceding year:

- 8 (1) The cost of producing the prescription drug;  
9 (2) Total administrative expenditures relating to the  
10 drug, including marketing and advertising costs;  
11 (3) The manufacturer's profit earned from the sale of the  
12 prescription drug and the percentage of the  
13 manufacturer's total profit attributable to sales of  
14 the drug for the period during which the manufacturer  
15 has marketed the drug for sale in the State;  
16 (4) The total amount of financial assistance that the  
17 manufacturer has provided through any patient  
18 prescription drug assistance program;  
19 (5) Costs associated with coupons provided directly to  
20 consumers and other programs to assist consumers in  
21 paying copayments, and the cost to the manufacturer



1           attributable to the redemption of those coupons and  
2           the use of those programs;

3           (6) The wholesale acquisition cost of the prescription  
4           drug;

5           (7) A history of any increases in the wholesale  
6           acquisition cost of the prescription drug over the  
7           five years immediately preceding the date of the  
8           report, including the amount of each increase  
9           expressed as a percentage of the total wholesale  
10          acquisition cost of the drug, the month and year in  
11          which each increase became effective, and any  
12          explanation for the increase;

13          (8) The aggregate amount of all rebates that the  
14          manufacturer has provided to pharmacy benefit managers  
15          for sales of the prescription drug in the State; and

16          (9) Any additional information required by the department  
17          that is necessary to analyze the cost and cost trends  
18          of the listed prescription drugs and rebates available  
19          for those drugs.

20          §    -4   **Manufacturer report; increased wholesale**  
21   **acquisition costs.** On or before April 1 of a year in which a



1 prescription drug is listed pursuant to section -2(2), the  
2 manufacturer of the drug shall submit to the department a report  
3 describing the reasons for the increase in the wholesale  
4 acquisition cost of the drug. The report shall include:

5 (1) Factors that contributed to the increase and the  
6 percentage of the total increase that is attributable  
7 to each factor;

8 (2) An explanation of the role of each factor in the  
9 increase; and

10 (3) Any other information required by the department.

11 § -5 Pharmacy benefit manager; report. (a) Except as  
12 otherwise provided in subsection (b), on or before April 1 of  
13 each year, a pharmacy benefit manager shall submit to the  
14 department a report that includes:

15 (1) The total amount of all rebates that the pharmacy  
16 benefit manager negotiated with manufacturers during  
17 the immediately preceding calendar year for  
18 prescription drugs listed pursuant to section -2(1)  
19 and sold or otherwise distributed in the State;



(2) The total amount of all rebates described in paragraph (1) that were retained by the pharmacy benefit manager; and

(3) The total amount of all rebates described in paragraph (1) that were negotiated for purchases of drugs for use by residents of the State who receive health insurance coverage through:

(A) Medicare;

(B) Medicaid or med-QUEST;

(C) A governmental entity other than the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services;

(D) A third party that is not a government entity; and

(E) A plan described in subsection (b) to the extent required by a contract as described in subsection (c).

(b) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (c), this section shall not apply to the coverage of prescription drugs under a plan that is subject to the federal Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended, or any information relating to coverage under that act.



1 (c) Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary, a plan  
2 that is exempt from this section under subsection (b) may, by  
3 contract, require a pharmacy benefit manager to comply with this  
4 section.

5 § -6 Department analysis and report. (a) On or before  
6 June 1 of each year, the department shall analyze the  
7 information submitted pursuant to sections -3, -4, and  
8 -5 and publish a report on its website that includes:

9 (1) The current price listed pursuant to section -2;

10 (2) The stated reasons for any increases in the prices of  
11 the drugs; and

12 (3) The effect of the drug prices on overall spending on  
13 prescription drugs in the State.

14 (b) The department's report may include opportunities for  
15 persons and entities in this State to lower the cost of  
16 prescription drugs for the treatment of diabetes while  
17 maintaining patient access to those drugs.

18 § -7 Pharmaceutical sales representatives; reporting  
19 requirements. (a) On or before June 1 of each year, the  
20 manufacturer of a prescription drug listed pursuant to  
21 section -2(1) shall provide the department with a list of all





1 pharmaceutical sales representatives who are engaged on behalf  
2 of the manufacturer in the marketing of any of the prescription  
3 drugs to any:

4 (1) Health care provider;

5 (2) Pharmacy;

6 (3) Health care facility; or

7 (4) Insurance producer of policies, contracts, or plans

8 with accident and health or sickness insurers, mutual

9 benefit societies, and health maintenance

10 organizations;

11 in the State.

12 (b) The department shall provide electronic access to the  
13 most recent list of pharmaceutical sales representatives under  
14 subsection (a).

15 (c) A person who is not included on a current list  
16 submitted pursuant to subsection (a), shall not market or sell a  
17 prescription drug listed under section -2(1) on behalf of the  
18 respective manufacturer to any:

19 (1) Person or entity listed under subsection (a)(1) to

20 (4); or

21 (2) Resident of the State.



1 (d) On or before August 1 of each year, a pharmaceutical  
2 sales representative listed pursuant to subsection (a) shall  
3 submit to the department a report for the immediately preceding  
4 calendar year that includes:

5 (1) Persons or entities listed under subsection (a)(1) to  
6 (4) to whom the pharmaceutical sales representative  
7 provided:

8 (A) Any type of compensation with a value that  
9 exceeds ten dollars; or

10 (B) Total compensation with a value that exceeds one  
11 hundred dollars in aggregate; and

12 (2) The name and manufacturer of any prescription drug  
13 from whom the pharmaceutical sales representative  
14 received any prescription drug samples and the name of  
15 any person or entity listed under subsection (a)(1) to  
16 (4) to whom a sample was provided free of charge.

17 (e) On or before October 1 of each year, the department  
18 shall produce a report of the activities of pharmaceutical sales  
19 representatives described in this section. Information in the  
20 report shall be described in the aggregate and in a manner that  
21 does not reveal the identity of the person or entity.



1 The department shall:

2 (1) Post the report on its website; and

3 (2) Submit copies of the report to the governor and the  
4 legislature.

5 § -8 Nonprofit organization report. (a) On or before  
6 February 1 of each year, a nonprofit organization operating in  
7 the State that advocates on behalf of diabetes patients or  
8 finances diabetes medical research shall report to the  
9 department any payment, donation, subsidy, or thing of value  
10 received from a:

11 (1) Manufacturer;

12 (2) Pharmacy benefit manager; or

13 (3) Lobbyist engaged by a manufacturer or pharmacy benefit  
14 manager,

15 in relation to the nonprofit organization's diabetes advocacy or  
16 research.

17 (b) The report shall include:

18 (1) The manufacturer, pharmacy benefit manager, or  
19 lobbyist that provided the payment, donation, subsidy,  
20 or other contribution and the amount; and



(2) The percentage of the total gross income of the nonprofit organization during the immediately preceding calendar year attributable to payments, donations, subsidies, or other contributions from each manufacturer, pharmacy benefit manager, or lobbyist.

The department shall make the reports required under this section publicly available on its website.

§ -9 Rules; fines. The department shall adopt rules, pursuant to chapter 91, necessary for the purposes of this chapter, including fines for noncompliance with the reporting requirements of this chapter."

SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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**Report Title:**

Prescription Drugs; Diabetes; Reports

**Description:**

Requires the Department of Health to compile, analyze, and report certain information on essential prescription drugs marketed in the State for the treatment of diabetes. Requires certain entities to provide information that justifies cost increases in drug products.

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